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Marriage (/marriage) Visa (/visa) Guide for Foreigners in Thailand (2025)

If you are legally married to a Thai citizen, you may qualify for a Thai Marriage Visa (/marriage-visa), officially known as a **Non-Immigrant O Visa** based on family reasons. This guide explains the requirements, process, and documentation for obtaining and renewing this visa under Thai law.

What Is a Thai Marriage Visa?

The Thai Marriage Visa allows a foreign spouse to legally stay in Thailand for up to one year and renew it annually. It is available to those who are married to a Thai national and meet financial and residency requirements.

Who Can Apply?

- You must be legally married to a Thai citizen (marriage registered in Thailand).
- You must hold a valid **Non-Immigrant O visa** (single or multiple entry).
- You must meet the **financial requirements** set by immigration.
- You must reside in Thailand legally and report your address as required.

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Required Documents

Note: All documents must be in Thai or officially translated, with originals and copies.

Personal Documents

- Passport (with visa stamp)
- TM.6 departure card
- Thai marriage certificate (/marriage-certificate) (Kor Ror 3) and registration (Kor Ror 2)
- Thai spouse's ID card and house registration (Tabien Baan (/23-tabien-baan))
- Photos of the couple at home, inside and outside the house
- Map to your residence

Financial Proof (choose one)

- **Option 1:** Bank account in Thailand with minimum **400,000 THB**, held for at least 2 months before application
- **Option 2:** Monthly income of at least **40,000 THB**, proven by:
  - Income letter from your embassy, or
  - 12 months of Thai bank statements showing consistent deposits

Application Process

Step 1: Apply for a Non-Immigrant O Visa

If you are outside Thailand, you can apply for a 90-day Non-Immigrant O visa at a Thai embassy or consulate with your marriage documents and financial proof.

Step 2: Extend to a 1-Year Marriage Visa in Thailand

Before your 90-day visa expires, apply at your local immigration office. You will need to submit all documents, financial proof, and attend an interview if requested. If approved, the visa will be extended to 1 year.

Annual Renewal Process

- Marriage visa must be renewed every year at immigration
- You must still meet the financial and relationship requirements
- Provide new bank letters or income statements
- Update home address with **TM.30** if you've moved
- File **90-day reports** with form TM.47

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Important Notes

- Unregistered marriages (e.g., religious or customary only) are not valid for visa purposes
- You must show evidence of genuine cohabitation
- Bank letters must show history, not just a current balance
- This visa does **not allow work** unless you obtain a separate work permit (/work-permit)

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ)

Can I work with a Marriage Visa?

No, not unless you also apply for a **work permit** with a Thai employer.

Can I convert a Tourist Visa to a Marriage Visa in Thailand?

Yes, but you must first change it to a **Non-Immigrant O visa** and then apply for the extension based on marriage.

What happens if I divorce (/divorce)?

You must inform immigration. Your visa may be cancelled, and you must either leave Thailand or apply for a different visa type.

Summary Checklist

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Requirement	Details
Thai marriage certificate	Kor Ror 2 and Kor Ror 3
Financial proof	400,000 THB in bank OR 40,000 THB/month income
Thai spouse's documents	ID card and house registration
Home verification	Photos, address map
Legal visa status	Non-Immigrant O visa in Thailand

Useful Links

- Thai Immigration Bureau (https://www.immigration.go.th)
- Thai Embassies Worldwide (https://www.thaiembassy.org)

If you need legal help preparing your marriage documents, financial proof, or visa application, our licensed Thai lawyers are ready to assist. Contact us for advice or start with our family law resources (/thai-family-and-marriage-law/family-and-mariage-law-in-thailand-for-foreigners).

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